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Official meetings

Security Council

10:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

UNRCCA

Other matters

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 to 18:00 — 69th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Introduction by the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict of the Report of the Secretary General on children and armed conflict in Myanmar

Other matters

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Economic and Social Council

2018 session

15:00 to 18:00 Informal meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

The Secretary-General will present to the Economic and Social Council his second report on the repositioning of the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in the context of the follow-up to the 2016 quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system.

The meeting is convened by the President of the Council (Czech Republic) in the context of the implementation of the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system.

The meeting is open to all Member States. For further information, please contact Mr. Alexander Tadion, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail tadion@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4892).

Commission for Social Development

Fifty-sixth session

15:00 Informal consultation (closed) Conference Room 9

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

On the draft resolution entitled "Future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development"

Convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Bruno Rios (Mexico)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Plenary meeting 2 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Organizational matters

Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the session

Adoption of the reports of the second regular and special sessions 2017

Adoption of the annual workplan 2018 of the Executive Board

UNDP Segment

Statement by the Administrator

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Friday, 26 January 2018

15:00 — 77th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Sport for development and peace: building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal: Solemn appeal by the President of the General Assembly (A/72/700 (to be issued)) [item 11]

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support (A/72/L.31) [item 66]

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa [item 66 (b)]

Thursday, 1 and Friday, 2 February 2018

10:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

An informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Council.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (galindo@un.org).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 18 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives.

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings (closed) to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Wednesday, 24 January 2018

10:00 — Conference Room 1

Civil Affairs; and Peacebuilding

Friday, 26 January 2018

10:00 — Conference Room 1

Disarmament, Demobilization and reintegration; and Security sector reform

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 — Conference Room 2

Rule of law, justice and corrections; and Police

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

10:00 Conference Room 2

Conduct and Discipline including Sexual Exploitation and Abuse; and Mine action

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Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

Wednesday, 31 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 1st plenary meeting Conference Room 7

Adoption of the agenda

Draft report of the Peacebuilding Commission on its eleventh session (PBC/11/OC/L.1 and PBC/11/OC/1 (to be issued)))

Election of officers

Workplan of the Peacebuilding Commission

Other matters

Security Council

Thursday, 25 January 2018

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate in connection with the item "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question"

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure, starting on *Monday, 22 January 2018, at 09:30*.

Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to no more than 4 minutes.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting (dpa-scdocs@un.org; 1 (212) 963-5258).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Tuesday, 30 January 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Youth forum Trusteeship Council Chamber

17:00 to 18:00 Youth forum Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Economic and Social Council will hold its youth forum on the theme "The role of youth in building sustainable and resilient urban and rural communities".

In view of the interactive nature of this event, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are requested to refrain from reading prepared statements.

In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions will be limited to *3 minutes* (5 minutes for groups).

All are invited to attend.

Due to limited seating, Member States that are not members of the Council, as well as the United Nations system and other organizations, are requested to inform the secretariat of the Council of their prospective participation in the forum no later than 13:00, on 26 January 2018, to be pre-assigned a seat in the meeting room.

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers, only those who would have communicated the composition of their delegations to the secretariat by 26 January 2018, will have reserved seats in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information on the Youth Forum, including the draft programme, general concept note and ministerial roundtable concept notes, as well as logistical information for participation, is available on the website of the Council; or by contacting the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (pricec@un.org or simonp@un.org).

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2018 regular session

Monday, 29 January, to Wednesday, 7 February 2018 Conference Room 1

Friday, 23 February 2018 Conference Room 2

The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/C.2/2018/1.

Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the Secretary of the Committee (e-mail lomaia@un.org with a copy to leu@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Committee) in Conference Room 1, only observers who will register the composition of their delegations by *Friday, 26 January 2018*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the website of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (please *click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.

Commission for Social Development
Fifty-sixth session

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

15:00 Informal consultation (closed) Conference Room 11

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

On the draft resolution entitled "Third review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002"

Convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Yao Shaojun (China)

Friday 25 January 2018

15:00 Informal consultation (closed) Conference Room 12

Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

On the draft resolution entitled "Third review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002"

Convened by the Vice-Chair, Mr. Yao Shaojun (China)

Monday, 29 January, to Wednesday, 7 February 2018

Monday, 29 January 2018

10:00 Opening meeting Conference Room 4

The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2018/1. For further information on the fifty-sixth and previous sessions of the Commission, please *click here*.

For *participation and seating arrangements*, members of the Commission, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, which is available.

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4, only observers who will register the composition of their delegations in the e-deleGATE portal, *by Wednesday, 24 January 2018*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

General discussion under agenda item 3 (a) of the provisional agenda (Priority theme: Strategies for eradicating poverty to achieve sustainable development for all) and item 3 b) (Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups) will begin on Monday, 29 January 2018.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the joint general discussion on sub-items 3 (a) and 3 (b) should be sent through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*).

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the *list of speakers* are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org).

Statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *twelve minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*.

Delegates are informed that *PaperSmart* services are offered as an additional service for the fifty-sixth session of the Commission.

The *statements* will be made available on the Commission PaperSmart portal at the time of delivery by delegations.

For information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission, please *click here*.

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 19 January 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8162nd meeting *Maintenance of international peace and security*

Building regional partnership in Afghanistan and Central Asia as a model to link security and development

Letter dated 2 January 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Kazakhstan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/7)

The meeting was presided over by His Excellency Kairat Abdrakhmanov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Afghanistan, Belgium, Germany, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Her Excellency Joanne Adamson, Deputy Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Security Council began its consideration of the item and adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2018/2).

The Council heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency António Guterres.

Statements were made by the President, His Excellency Kairat Abdrakhmanov, speaking in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan and by His Excellency Sheikh Sabah Khalid Al Hamad Al Sabah, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kuwait; His Excellency Jacek Czaputowicz, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Poland; His Excellency Sergey Lavrov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation; His Excellency John Sullivan, Deputy Secretary of State of the United States; His Excellency André Haspels, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands; His Excellency Mark Field, Minister of State for Asia and the Pacific of the United Kingdom; His Excellency Domingo Mituy Edjang, Secretary of State of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Equatorial Guinea and by the representatives of China, Sweden, France, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Côte d'Ivoire, Peru and Ethiopia.

The Council heard statements by His Excellency Abdulaziz Kamilov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan; His Excellency Erlan Abdyldaev, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kyrgyzstan; His Excellency Sirodjidin Aslov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tajikistan; His Excellency Hekmat Khalil Karzai, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan and by the representatives of Turkmenistan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belgium, Germany, India, Turkey and Pakistan.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Joanne Adamson (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its 28 member States; the candidate countries Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Japan and Italy.

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Informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

Monday, 22 January 2018

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Development of a Global Pact for the Environment" (under agenda item 14) (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 5

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Other meetings

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Monday, 22 January 2018

International Seabed Authority (Pacific small island developing States))

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

International Seabed Authority (Latin American and Caribbean States Group and Caribbean Community

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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International Seabed Authority (Eastern European Group)

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

09:30 to 10:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

International Seabed Authority (Asia Pacific Group)

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

International Seabed Authority (African Group)

Tuesday, 23 January 2018

15:00 to 16:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

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The office of the Journal Unit opens at 15:00.

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